

1 **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

2 Please amend paragraph 0024 on page 7 as follows:

3 -- In yet another embodiment, overlay 101 includes a lighting device 109 (~~not~~
4 shown) that can be used to illuminate the button structures so that a user can see the
5 button structures under low-light conditions. For example, overlay 101 can include a
6 light emitting diode (LED) 111 and a power source 113 (e.g., a battery) that is configured
7 to provide edge lighting of the overlay. In one embodiment, the power source 113 can be
8 turned on and off using one of the button structures of the overlay. --

9 Please amend paragraph 0028 on page 9 as follows:

10 -- In an alternative embodiment, overlay 101 includes a redirector 115 (~~not~~
11 shown) that is positioned over the infrared port 117 of the PDA device. The redirector is
12 used to change the direction of the infrared beam 117 so that a user can simultaneously
13 view the button structure(s) of the overlay while directing an infrared beam toward a
14 desired appliance. For example, in one embodiment the redirector 115 could be
15 implemented using a fiber optic plate (similar to that described above) with a bend in the
16 optical fiber segments that form the plate. In such an embodiment, the overlay can be
17 formed so that the redirector 115 resembles a flange-like structure at the top side of the
18 overlay, whereby the redirector covers the IR port of the PDA device. Other optical
19 structures (e.g., a mirror, prism, etc.) can be used to implement the redirector 115 in other
20 embodiments. --

1 Please amend paragraph 0025 on page 7 as follows:

2 -- In another embodiment, overlay 101 includes a cutout slot (~~not shown~~)
3 301 as illustrated in FIG. 3 that houses a slider button 303 on the top side and a
4 respective nib on the other side such that the slider button is captive and is forced
5 to move only along the slot 301 and up and down similar to the other buttons.
6 When the user actuates the slider button 303 by pressing and sliding it, the nib in
7 turn actuates a virtual slider on the touch screen display. --

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